P. R. O. Colonial Entry Book No. 53

An Act for a Prison at S! Mary's.

Whereas divers Inconveniencies have hapened wth in this pvince through the want of places for the Secureing offend wth being Seriously thought vppon by the Burgesses of this prent Assembly they doe pray the itt be Enacted And be itt Enacted by the Lord Proprietary by & wth the Consent of the vpp! & Lower howse of this prent Assembly the A Logg howse be built Twenty foot Square at S! Mary's vppon the Counteyes Lands for a Prison in the yeare 1664 & then Two Thousand pounds of Tobacco to bee payd for the same out of the Country Leavyes the Yeare.

And bee itt furth! enacted by the Authority aforesaid th! a Pillory Stockes & Duckinge Stoole be erected by the said Prison at the Publique Charge of the whole province And th! the Sherriffe of S! Mary's County bee hereby Impow! to see this Act performed and vppon defaulte therein shall fforfeite ffive hundred pounds of Tobacco to be p! to the Lord Proprietary

The vpp! howse have Assented John Gittings Clke

The low! howse have Assented W." Bretton Clke

An Act for Erecting a Pillorye Stockes & Ducking Stoole in every County of This Province.

The Burgesses of this present generall Assembly takeing into their serious considracon the many Misdeameanors we are Incid^t to happen in this Province And being destitute of places of Correcon for such offendrs many of them doe escape wth out due Correccon according to the Demerite of their offence Bee itt therefore enacted by the Lord Proprietary wth the Advice & Assent of the vpp! & low! howse of this present genāll Assembly the a Pillory & Stocks bee sett vpp att every Cort howse in each respective County & a Ducking Stoole in the most convenient place of the County att the Charge of each County, And the Com^{rs} of every County not causeing such Pillory Stocks & Ducking stoole to be sett vpp wth in six months after the Publicacon thereof as is pyided in this Act shalbee fyned in the sume of one Thousand pounds of Tobacco to the vse of the Lord Proprietary & his heires Provided tht this Act or anything therein conteyned do not extend to Baltimore County or to Talbott County th! such Pillory Stockes or Ducking stoole be